

## ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

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Monthly Report -- Austria Bureau

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TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

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10 November 1988  
FBIS - 3019 - 88

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS  
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group  
FROM : Chief, Austria Bureau  
SUBJECT : Montly Report - Austria Bureau - October 1988

I. GENERAL

The dollar appeared to be following its 1987 performance as it continued to weaken in October, falling to an average rate of 13.02 Austrian schillings to the dollar and hitting a three-month low of A.S. 12.525 to 1. Many analysts predict a further slide following the U.S. elections. *disagree*

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. Throughout the month, events in Yugoslavia kept AU's Yugoslav section running at full bore, often into long hours of overtime. In addition to reporting on several days of unrest in the country during the first part of the month, the bureau's monitors and editors successfully coped with over 40 hours of live and delayed relays from the Montenegro LC Presidency session (8 October); the Serbian LC Central Committee session and the joint LCY Central Committee and Kosovo Provincial Committee session (11 October); and the 17th and 18th LCY Central Committee Plenums (17-19 October). Cooperation and processing coordination with LD/BBC were exemplary in covering the 17th and 18th plenums, and the many kudos from Headquarters components and lateral consumers attested to the professionalism of all involved.

2. Russian monitor  received a special note of thanks from the DAILY REPORT for his rapid processing of a requested article from MEZHDUNARODNAYA ZHIZN.

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B. Communications

AU's primary circuit was down for a total of 8 hours during the month. About half of this down-time was attributed to problems at the Bonn communications exchange.

### C. Lateral Services

At the MBFR delegation's request, the bureau faxed to them a copy of an article by USSR Foreign Minister Shevardnaze that was published in the 21 October DIE WELT.

### D. Technical

1. A new local telephone line was installed and wired to the Communications Room for use with IDD. The new "IDD" telephone number is 44-38-02. IDD procedures were tested and demonstrated to the communications personnel.

2. Cubic receiver modules, sent to replace faulty modules received with the original equipment, were installed and tested. No receiver faults have been detected since the new modules were installed.

3. The following equipment was received in October:

Two Cubic 3050 receivers (cost unknown); one Cubic 3030A receiver (cost unknown); one MS C-Compiler set (cost unknown); and two Watkins-Johnson VHF receivers (cost unknown).

## III. ADMINISTRATION

### A. Personnel

1. [ ] joined the bureau on 16 October as a Russian monitor trainee (FBN-07/01).

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2. PSI's effective 9 October were received by [ ] (to FBN-07/02), [ ] (to FBN-08/04) and [ ] (to FBN-11/08). Senior Electronics Technician [ ] received an LSI (to FBN-10/10) also effective 9 October.

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### B. Building and Grounds

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Connection of the bureau's Siemens fire alarm system to the new Selectone alarm system was completed and all sirens and bells associated with the old Siemens system were removed.

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## IV. VISITS

### A. From the Bureau:

1. The Bureau chief returned 5 October from the Bureau Chiefs Conference and TDY at London Bureau.

2. The Bureau Chief and Senior Admin Assistant [ ] visited the Embassy FMC on 11 October for discussions on the new accounting system mandated by Headquarters.

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B. To the Bureau:

Visitors to the bureau during the month included Deputy Chief Operations Group [redacted], 13-16 October, on a management visit; [redacted] BBC monitoring organizer for Europe and the Middle East, 16-20 October for orientation and discussions; and FED engineer [redacted], 30 October to 6 November for orientation and training.

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Chief, Austria Bureau

cc: Chief, FBIS London Bureau

Attachments:

Production Report  
Staff Personnel Report  
Non-Staff Personnel Report